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TO DISPOSE OF FLIES

Flies were regarded formerly as merely annoying pests, but now that they have been discovered to be active enemies of the human race every effective means of destroying them deserves the widest publicity. And the appropriate time to spread the news is surely now, when "fly time" is here. A correspondent of Nature recounts his success with a solution of formaldehyde and water. Two teaspoonfuls of formaldehyde in a soap plate of water is his prescription, and the effect he describes thus:

"Some die in the water; many fall in the immediate neighborhood of the plate; others succumb on window sill or floor. As the result of leaving a single plateful of the solution on the kitchen table (I am writing in the south of France) hundreds of the dead flies are each day swept up from the floor. Formalin water is free from the greenish association of flypapers and other traps which hold their struggling victims. It may even be turned to ornamental uses. A wire cage placed in the centre of the dish may be covered with flowers, which flourish equally as well, with some slight but interesting changes in tint, in diluted formalin as in pure water. The solution neither attracts nor repels flies. Two similar dishes placed side by side, the one containing pure water and the other formalin, are visited, so far as one can judge, with equal frequency."

If the fly is fond of formalin water, and partaking thereof results in his early demise, it would seem to be well to provide him with his favorite tipple. Screening is often inadequate, nor is it possible in all places. The "sticky flypaper" is objectionable in many ways, as the writer quoted hints. Perhaps housekeepers who are troubled by the common pests would be glad to avail themselves of this new idea. At least it can do no harm to give it a trial.

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USEFUL THINGS TO KNOW

When a baby's foot is caught in a hole, unlaced or unbuttoned shoe and it is easy to pull the foot out of the shoe. This often causes spraining or breaking an ankle.

When using a cleaning fluid rub it gently on the fabric with a clean cloth. It is not necessary to rub the material roughly in the hands.

Yellow spots on clothing are often due to acid. Try immersing them in a weak solution of ammonia and water.

To remove stains and discolorations from tinware, try rubbing with a damp cloth dipped into soda.

A good way to bleach linen or lace is to put it in a bowl of soapy water and set it out in the strong sunlight. It will be exposed thus to dust and dirt, place a piece of glass over it.

It is said that tartaric acid may be used to remove iron rust.

To clean enamel rub with salt moistened with vinegar.

For cleaning oil cloth milk can be used to good advantage.

In washing glasses use a little soap first and then rinse well.

When baking place a layer of salt under the mold. This prevents burning.

Hot pillows are a great comfort to nervous people and often cure headaches.

Green vegetables, to preserve their color, should be boiled in open sauce pans.

Do not labor under the impression that things cook faster when the water boils hard.

To drive away cold sores wet a little common baking soda and apply. Camphor also is good.

To prevent fish from falling apart in boiling, put a small quantity of vinegar into the water.

Iron saucepans may be cleaned on the outside by thoroughly and briskly rubbing them with fine sand.

Sold window shades are best cleaned by rubbing them with stale bread or Fuller's earth with moderate pressure.

A little carbolic acid added to the water in which burns, bruises and cuts are washed, greatly lessens the soreness. If iodine has been applied to the skin, but smarted too much, it is well to know that it can quickly be removed with ammonia.

All cooking utensils should be washed immediately after they have been used with soda, which will remove every trace of grease.

Essence of cinnamon, allowed to evaporate in a shallow bowl or dish in the sick room is said to be effective in destroying germs in the air.

Pickles should never be kept in glazed ware, as the acetic acid of the vinegar will form a poisonous compound with the lead contained in the enamel.

Onions are excellent for nervous persons. Two or three eaten with bread and butter before going to bed will act as a sedative and induce refreshing sleep.

A tablespoonful of granulated sugar added to the salted water used for bathing roast beef will give to the latter a rich brown color and greatly improve its flavor.

When one is overtired or worried and is unable to sleep, being gently rubbed all over with a towel wrung out of hot salted water will usually have the desired effect.

One of the simplest agents for removing sunburn is said to be the white of egg and lemon juice, in equal quantities, slowly heated to just below the boiling-point and briskly stirred.

Peaches should be canned almost as soon as they are pared, for they discolor quickly. Peaches, cooked in water without sugar will keep without sugar.

Plums can be cooked without sugar and will keep several years, their own acid acting as a preservative.

One way to keep the scalp clean is to anoint it with a little sweet oil about an hour or more before the shampoo. The oil loosens the dandruff, cleanses the scalp and greatly adds to the results of the shampoo.

Many persons always cut the skin from a rash before eating it. But certain authorities say that the skin has a digestive quality which makes it desirable.

In sewing a sleeve sew from the inside of a sleeve, holding it towards you. In this way the pleats are eased into the waist. The front seam of the sleeve is placed about two or two and a half inches from the underarm seam of the waist.

A few chopped almonds added to a custard or bread pudding will greatly improve its flavor.

Canvas shoes may be cleaned with soap and water, if one works quickly, so that the moisture does not penetrate the canvas. Make a thick lather with pure white soap and warm water.

To clean white marble wash it thoroughly with soap and water, then brush it over well, especially in the crevices, with whitening mixed with a little blue, as used for ceilings. Allow it to dry thoroughly, and then polish with a clean dry cloth.

To clean suede gloves put the gloves on "trees" or on your hands, and rub them with fine oatmeal, which should finally be brushed off with a soft nail brush. Any obstinate stains may be removed with benzine, applied on a piece of clean flannel.

Usefully blackheads are simply specks of dirt which have worked into the open pores and combined with the oily matter in the skin. The best treatment is to first apply some good cleansing cream, then to thoroughly wash and bathe the face night and morning in hot borax water with a pure, bland soap, using a good complexion brush. Rinse carefully in clear water and apply a face cream. Keep up this treatment for at least two weeks.

HARD WOODS OUT WEST

It will interest owners of forests in any section of the country to hear that the hard woods of the East are to be exported to the Pacific coast. The United States forest service is planning to introduce a number of the more important Eastern hard woods into California and will this year experiment with chestnut, hickory, basswood, red oak and yellow poplar or tulip trees. Small plantations of these trees will be planted near the forest rangers' cabins on the national forests, and it is hoped that well-larger plantations on a commercial scale will soon be established on wider areas.

There are over 125 different species of trees in California, a number of which produce some of the most valuable varieties of lumber in the country. Although considerably over one-half of the species are hard wood or broad leaved trees, yet, with the exception of the exotic eucalyptus, there is not a single species of hard wood here ranking in commercial importance with the leading Eastern hard woods. Climatic conditions in many parts of California are undoubtedly favorable for the growth of a number of the valuable hard woods, and the absence of these trees is due mostly to unfavorable factors of seed distribution.

If the experiments are successful a valuable asset will have been added to the forest resources of California, which should prove of special benefit to the local furniture and vehicle industries. Chestnut and red oak are highly esteemed for furniture.

THE FISH THAT GET AWAY

I've fished in the old Ohio,
When a freckled, bare-foot boy,
Packed all the trout that he could
With a hickory pole.
And carried them home with joy;
But among the cats, both large and small,
That I looked in my bygone day,
The cat that I wanted most of all
Was the one that got away.

I've tossed the lively aliner,
With rod of apple steel,
Where lie the bass
By the floating grass,
And brought them in with the reel;
But of all the bass I ever caught,
None was so large and fine,
None sent the blood through my veins so
hot,
As the bass that broke my line.

I've waded the clear, cold Northern
streams,
And cast for speckled trout;
Have found the fly
That took their eye,
And lured the beauties out;
But of all the trout that ever rose,
From many a tempting brook,
None loomed so large in memory's eyes
As the loon that slipped the hook.

So runs the world—our wisest words
Are the words we fail to speak;
The sweetest kiss
Is the one we miss;
The sweetest grapes we seek
Hang just too high; and we long and
look,
And sigh as we sadly say,
The best of the fish that come to our hook
Are the fish that get away.

IMPROPER FOOD FOR CHILDREN

Do you know what marks the chief difference between the children of the rich and the poor? The quality of their air breathe and the food they eat. The poorest districts are not well ventilated, no attention is paid to neatness, and children eat about the same kind of food that keeps their elders alive—seldom nourishing for either.

And yet, think of the things the children of your acquaintance eat! In one family I know several kinds of food have been banished because the small son of the household had not been properly trained. In another I have seen a five-year-old boy eat ripe Camembert cheese with every evidence of enjoyment.

At a small store near a large school-house the bulk of the trade is in penny purchases, of pickles and tines, of colored candies and indigestible pastry and cakes. These are the purchases of children from workmen's families, children who would be better taught to save pennies rather than spend them. No wonder indigestion is firmly seated on men and women who are too young to be on intimate terms with chronic disease. Children are allowed to eat as they please, at table and between meals, and the hard-earned dollars of parents go for medical advice and medicine.

SINGING KETTLES

The Japanese, who know so well how to add little, unexpected attractions to everyday life, manufacture, in a great variety of forms, iron teakettles which break into song when the water boils. The song may not be very perfect melody, but it is perhaps as agreeable as the notes produced by some of the insects which the Japanese also treasure for their music. The harmonious sounds of the teakettles are produced by steam bubbles escaping from beneath thin sheets of iron fastened close together, nearly at the bottom of the kettle. To produce the best effects some skill is required in regulating the fire. The character of the sound varies with the form of the kettle. These curious singing kettles have been used by the people for many centuries.

CHEMICAL DYES IN RUSS

W. F. Doty, United States Consul at Tashkent, has some interesting facts on the extent to which chemical dyes are supplanting those of vegetable origin in Persia.

"The large carpet importing houses," he writes, "have done their utmost to guard against costlier preparations, and presumably most of their Oriental rugs are about what they are represented to be. Naturally, the price of such rugs is above that of the products in which chemical dyes are employed. In Persia there are some well established rug exporting firms that loudly cry, 'Back to the vegetable dyes.' It is to them the credit is given that a royal edict was issued more than eight years ago forbidding the introduction of aniline coloring material. This law, however, is not enforced.

WASHINGTON LETTER

Washington, D. C., July 24th, 1909.

While the attention of all those interested in the tariff is concentrated here at present on the efforts of the President to secure certain specific reductions, such as free hides, free coal, free iron ore and free petroleum and the House rate of \$1 a thousand feet on lumber, the general downward revision is likely to be lost sight of. The President's demand for these specific reductions partook somewhat of the spectacular and has been made the most of by the newspapers in their efforts to add interest to a situation which is extremely technical and presents many difficulties to those who would write of it entertainingly. Each day there are fluctuations in the situation precipitated by the President's demands and those "make copy," to use a newspaper phrase. But the consumer and the voters are really more interested in the small reductions which have been made throughout the schedule of the Senate bill. There is no doubt in the mind of any unprejudiced observer that Mr. Taft has exerted material influence and that but for his efforts the rates generally would be considerably higher.

When the President and the people come to cast up the results, unless all present prospects fail, they will find small reductions all along the line to the number of about six hundred. But of far more importance in the estimation of the President, and it is a safe prediction that it will be in the estimation of the people, will be the provisions for a corporation tax and for a tariff commission. These provisions will, Mr. Taft believes, afford the machinery necessary to a future tariff revision which will be in accordance with the tariff plank in the last national platform, and without such machinery the fulfillment of that plank is an impossibility. The fact is that President Taft is the leader of a new school of protection—new just now, at least, although it is actually a return to the arguments originally advanced in favor of the protective policy. Those who first secured the adoption of the protective policy submitted that wages abroad were lower than in the United States, that many industries thrived in foreign countries which did not exist here and that in order to maintain the demand for labor in this country and to maintain the higher wage scale it was necessary to impose a tariff which should equal the difference in the cost of production here and abroad.

The policy was adopted, American industries were established and the wage scale was maintained. But price to the consumer were increased. This occasioned some protest but the protesters were assured that once the infant industries were fairly on their feet internal competition would cause a reduction of prices, especially as American enterprises and American ingenuity would operate to reduce the cost of production.

After a time there came the insistent demand for lower duties which bore fruit in that nondescript measure, the Wilson-Gorman tariff bill. Consistent with its adoption came a period of financial depression and as soon as possible the Republicans were restored to power and the Dingley bill was enacted. Its rates were high and the demand for lower prices was again heard. Then men of the school of the late Secretary of the Treasury, Leslie M. Shaw, took the rostrum and advanced that the ideal tariff would construct a wall around the country which would admit no imports but would trust to domestic competition to lower prices. Mr. Shaw was fond of saying that his father never thought it necessary, once he had fenced his farm, to go around knocking boards off the top because the fence was too high. But there were others who saw through the fallacy of that argument. They observed that domestic competition was insufficient to bring down prices and that instead trusts were being formed to maintain them, while the consumer suffered. Then arose the demand for a measure of protection which would be only sufficient to equal the difference between the cost of production here and abroad thus a reasonable profit for the manufacturer. President Taft is the leader of that demand. But he realizes that with existing machinery there is no possibility of measuring that difference and so he regards a bill which will provide that machinery as more important to the fulfillment of the party pledge than specific reductions in the tariff rates.

A great deal is being written about a conflict between Gifford Pinchot, National Forester and Judge R. A. Ballinger, Secretary of the Interior, and the effort is being made to create the impression that Mr. Pinchot rather than Secretary Ballinger enjoys the confidence of the President. Nothing could be further from the truth. Judge Ballinger enjoys the entire confidence of President Taft and, moreover, he is too big a man to make any war on Pinchot, who is only a subordinate of one of his colleagues in the cabinet, Secretary Wilson. There is no conflict between Secretary Wilson and Secretary Ballinger.

BIRDS' FEET IN FLIGHT
When the new twenty-dollar gold piece was issued in 1907, a critic of the design on the coins asked, "Who ever saw an eagle in flight with its legs trailing behind it?" This touches upon a question that has often been debated, but Dr. C. W. Townsend thinks that the designer was right and the critic wrong. All birds of prey, he says, habitually carry their legs behind in flight, except when about to strike their quarry. Water-birds also fly with their legs extended behind, and pheasants, grouse and other gallinaceous birds do the same thing as soon as they are well under way. But the Passeres or perching birds, such as English blackbirds, sparrows, robins, ravens, crows and swallows, when in flight carry their legs drawn up against their bodies.

Some have been seen carrying their legs in front.

PARK NEWS AND VIEWS

In testing several brands of cows the Virginia Experiment Station found that "in profit on milk the Holsteins led with \$4.92 per individual per month; the grades were second with \$4.97. The most profitable cow was Buckeye DeKol, who milked 21 months, gave 12,498.4 pounds of milk and 823.23 pounds of butter. The profit on the milk was \$201.05, and on the butter \$41.51."

A horticultural curiosity is to be seen in the garden of Gloucester Lodge, Portsmouth Road, near London. A gooseberry bush, a currant bush and an elderberry tree are growing high up on a willow tree, to which they have by some means become grafted. All are flourishing and fruit is forming on the gooseberry and currant bushes.

Profits in dairying do not depend so much upon the number of cows kept, but upon the kind. This fact is being realized more and more as the dairy industry increases. One way to increase the acreage of a farm is to increase the fertility of the soil of the farm; similarly, one way to increase a dairy herd is to increase the cows' producing power.

The regularity as well as the manner of the milk has much to do with the lasting productiveness of the dairy cow.

Electric power companies are being formed in Pennsylvania and other Eastern States which are thickly settled, to supply light and power to farms.

D. B. Mentzer, a farmer living near Gettysburg, Pa., has sold 3000 duck eggs since Christmas. His ducks produced 6000 ducklings last spring, and he sold 1800 pounds of feathers taken from the ducks which were killed on the farm during the past year.

The average wheat yield of America is only about 14 bushels to the acre, while in England the land that has been farmed for hundreds of years, averages about 30 bushels.

Many alfalfa-mills are springing up in Kansas and other Western States. One Kansas plant has a capacity of eight carloads per day, and pays \$50,000 annually for its raw material. Alfalfa meal is now used extensively in the cattle feed.

The Forestry Department has turned 300 Angora goats out on the mountain slopes in the West, in the hope that they will keep the weeds from growing on the fire-breaks. This work has been a serious expense and the goats are an experiment.

The country's honey product for last year is estimated at \$25,000,000. There are 7000 bee-keepers in the country and the product of their hives was sufficient to fill a train of cars long enough to reach from New York to Buffalo.

Kansas needs 17,000 additional men to handle the wheat crop this year, according to an estimate made by Director Harris, of the State Employment Bureau.

It is best not to cultivate the orchard ground later than August 1st, as the wood must have time to harden and the sap should be encouraged to run.

Horses seldom suffer from decayed teeth, but because of the upper teeth closing on the lower ones a little on the outside, points are sometimes found, which lacerate the cheek or penetrate the gums, creating a tenderness that prevents the proper mastication of food, annoying the horse so much that he falls away very rapidly.

This country each year produces more corn than all other countries of the world combined—2,927,000,000 bushels of corn, 1,000,000,000 bushels. It grows more wheat than any other country in the world—534,000,000 bushels of wheat, 1,000,000,000 bushels. It produces more oats than any other country in the world—754,000,000 bushels of oats, 1,000,000,000 bushels. It is the third largest annual producer of barley in the world, 165,000,000 bushels—only 7,000,000 bushels less than Germany, with Russia leading.

One of the most successful apple growers of Ohio uses arsenate of lead in the Bordeaux mixture to kill the different fungi, as well as to keep in check the codling moth, spraying at least four times after the bloom falls. His formula for Bordeaux is three pounds sulphate of copper, five pounds of lime and fifty gallons of water.

Hogs are a good method of cultivation. Corn, ground cob and all, together with a portion of cake, makes a good feed, not only for cows, but for horses as well.

Something for nothing never works out in the dairy. You must put the feed in to the cows if you are going to get the milk out of them.

Grow sheep for both wool and mutton. Both are grown on the same carcasses and both should be considered in the line of profit in their production. A sheep is no more a sheep without wool than it would be without mutton.

The summary of the United States crop report for 1909 reads as follows: Winter wheat, 90.7; for 1908, 86.0. Spring wheat, 95.2; for 1908, 95.0. The report on oats and hay is not so good as last year. Peaches, about half a crop. Apples, about the same as last year, 61.4, as compared with 66.0 for last year. In regard to acreage, representing last year's by 100, the estimates of acreage planted this year are as follows: Winter wheat, 91.8 per cent. Spring wheat, 100.0. Oats, 100.2. Barley, 105.5. Sorghum, 108.0. Cotton, 95.6 per cent. So far as corn is concerned, July is too early for safe prognostications. The hot winds of August, so destructive in 1901, and the always dreaded yet rarely serious frosts of September, are yet to be faced. It is, however, encouraging that the most important crop has made so excellent a start. The improvement in the condition of winter wheat may be treated as a finality, as this crop is now practically secure. The promise for spring wheat and oats is most gratifying. Altogether the great grain crops of the country bid fair, as a whole, to rival the best on record.

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HELP IMPROVE YOUR TOWN

Where is the greatest activity in village improvement found? Is it in towns where the minds of the people are sluggish, where a "don't care" policy prevails, where much illiteracy abounds? Never. Shiftless habits, lack of pride, indifference to appearances—these are characteristics of dead towns and dead citizens. Wherever you find well-cared-for property, decent lights, good pavements and streets, clean paint and a live town feeling—there you will discover a people who have a purpose in life beyond a mere existence. They think. Their brains are active, their minds alert, and realizing that their town is their home—their abiding place—their first thoughts are for its welfare. A town is only a collection of separate dwellings, and single places of business; a congregation of individuals living within certain boundaries. But it is characterized as good, beautiful, substantial, orderly, thrifty, progressive or poor, unattractive and behind the times, according to average only. A few well-cared-for houses, a few modern standard places of business, a few citizens with progressive ideas, a few people with local pride cannot alone maintain a standard for a community. Their ideas, their conduct, their mode of doing things, their loyalty, go into the common lot. But the majority, the grand total of good, bad and indifferent counts. It fixes the average.

How important it is, then, for every citizen to "hold his end up" for the common weal. How easy it is for each resident of a community to do his share in producing a fair result. If he simply cares for what is his; if he takes pride in the appearance of his own property; if he obliges his business patrons; if he is kindly disposed toward his home people, and has a feeling of real solicitude for the good appearance, the good name, the good standing of his town, he is doing his part. He is benefitting himself, he is encouraging others, and he is helping to raise the average of the whole place. What a combination of such efforts would accomplish it is needless to suggest.

PLANT MORE TREES

Those who study the question of forestry all know that the system employed in Germany to protect the Black Forest works admirably and great fires there are unknown, although the woods have stood for centuries. A recent dispatch from Vermont outlines a scheme that might well be adopted by every state which has the land to spare. The plan is thus described:

A novel experiment in American forestry is to be tried by the state of Vermont. She is going to coax or make all her farmers on the waste lands and deforested tracts buy from her at cost price at least 500 young trees apiece for planting. The state has established a tree nursery and has also imported from Germany more than 100,000 saplings, mostly white pine, suitable for building purposes.

An investigation by A. F. Hawes, who took office on April 1st as Vermont's first state forester, shows that more than 2,000,000 feet of the finest timber has been cut from the forests of the state since 1880. This was practically all heavy growth, the lumbermen paying no attention to the annual growth, though they could have used them as well as not.

Vermont officials are alarmed by this tremendous destruction of the best forest lands in the state, and an agitation is to be started in favor of tree planting.

INLAND WATERWAYS

The question of developing the inner water ways of the country will be one of the main subjects before the next Congress. The movement has been given such an impetus that it will not be permitted to lag. Delaware has been in the front rank of those states that have been working for improved waterways and Delaware will be one of the first states to share in the benefits. Much real work is being accomplished. Surveys have been provided for, and are now in progress. A large amount of other necessary work is being done. By the time Congress meets again, reports will be ready showing the progress made.

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21 PIECES IN THE SILVER SERVICE

At a meeting of the battleship committee held in Wilmington Wednesday, it was decided that the gift of a silver service to the battleship Delaware should consist of 21 pieces. This number will cost \$9,505. The Gorham Company, of New York, has received the contract for the service through its representative, Millard F. Davis, of Wilmington, and two of its agents conferred with the committee Wednesday. D. J. Dings, representing the bidders was present with W. C. Codman, chief designer for the company.

The drawings of the pieces are in the window of Mr. Davis' store at Tenth and Market streets, Wilmington. Some slight changes will be made by Howard Pyle, the artist, in the plans, however. The committee decided upon the following list of pieces:

One punch bowl and platter, one table, one centerpiece, two candelabras, one waiter, large; one water pitcher and tray, one coffee pot, one fish dish, one meat dish, one entire dish, one sauce boat and tray, one urn, one small waiter, one cream pitcher, one sugar pitcher, one coffee pitcher, one fruit dish.

JUDGES' VACATIONS

Members of the new state judiciary are preparing to take their vacations, and all of them have about completed plans for such.

Chancellor Charles M. Curtis will go to the coast of Maine next Monday, and he will be absent during August. Part of the time will be spent with Bishop Frederick J. Kinman, of the Episcopal Diocese of Delaware in a camping party.

Chief Justice James Pennell will be at home in Dover during August, and he will likely take a brief trip after that time.

Judge William H. Boyce will spend two weeks about the middle of August, in the Pocono mountains, near Stroudsburg.

Judge Victor B. Woolley and family left on Thursday for a stay of several weeks on the Massachusetts coast.

Judge Daniel O. Hastings and family will occupy their cottage at Rehoboth during the month of August.

Judge Henry C. Conrad will spend a week or ten days at Buck Hill Falls, in the Pocono mountains, and the remainder of the summer at Rehoboth and Georgetown.

CHURCH LEAVES CONFERENCE

Dover, Del., July 29th.—The officials of Williston M. E. Church on Dover district, have voted to sever their relations with the Methodist Episcopal Church and have so notified the Wilmington Conference. The Rev. John E. Smith, well-known throughout the peninsula as "Jack Smith," a Swedenborgian minister of note, has been requested to hold services in the Williston Church by the congregation.

The preacher sent to "Burreville Circuit" by the conference got an injunction restraining Smith, but now the litigation has been ended in the Eastern Shore courts by a decision against the Methodist Church and in favor of the heirs of Arthur John Willis, the original grantor of the property. Henry R. Lewis of Denton, represented the conference and Albert G. Towers the Willis heirs. The congregation is now free to employ whom it pleases as minister and spiritual adviser. The court decided that the form given for deeds in the church discipline is wrong.

TILLMAN MAY RETIRE

The shrill voice of Senator Benjamin Ryan Tillman, of South Carolina, may never be heard in the Senate chamber again. Senator Tillman is ill at his farm home near Trenton, S. C., where he has been for three weeks, and friends say his condition is so bad that there is little likelihood that he will be strong enough to return to Washington to vote on the tariff bill. The rumor that he contemplates resigning his seat is revived, but Mr. Tillman refuses to confirm or deny the rumor.

Senator Tillman has not fully recovered from the attack of partial paralysis which seized him last summer. Although the paralysis has not returned, a general debility from nervousness has made life unhappy for months.

BIG WHALE BEAR SNOW HILL

A whale from 80 to 85 feet in length was washed on the beach near Cape's Island life saving station, a few miles from Snow Hill, Md., the early part of the week. The whale is lying flat on its back, and a large gash on its side indicates that it was struck by an ocean steamer and lost its body that died from its wounds. The head of the whale is so large that it is almost inside of it with perfect ease.

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The dog days call to the worker in home, office, and mill and the answer brings up thoughts of the many resorts beside the sea where comfort, recreation, and pleasure alike await the coming of the holiday maker.

Along the shores of New Jersey from Cape May to Sandy Hook lie forty beaches, each offering delights for outings long or short and each easily accessible by the splendid train service of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

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Also a few Princess Dresses in blue and green silk pongee. These dresses were sold at \$5.00; now \$2.50.

Some black lawn dresses with white dots. One piece, but has belt. These were \$2.50 but are now \$1.25.

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Preliminary Premium List Ready

February 1st

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Mails Close as Follows:
Going North—7:25 a. m., 10:55 a. m., 4:00 p. m., 6:00 p. m. and 8 p. m.
Going South—8:00 a. m., 4:15 p. m., and 8 p. m.
For Odessa—7:45 a. m., 8:30 a. m., 11:30 a. m., 4:00 p. m.
For Warwick, Cecilton and Marlville 8:30 a. m. and 4:45 p. m.

MIDDLETOWN, DEL., JULY 31, 1909

Local News

A large number of our people spent Thursday at St. Augustine Park.

Miss Mary Gill entertained a number of friends at Lorewood Grove on Tuesday. LOST—A solid gold signet ring, on Broad street. Reward if returned to this office.

After June first, the library hours will be: Tuesday, 7 to 8:30; Friday, 7 to 8:30 and Saturday 3 to 5 p. m.

Dr. M. B. Burston will be at his office, corner Main and Broad streets, Monday and Tuesday, August 2nd and 3rd.

Miss Clara Willis entertained a number of friends at cards, on last Friday morning, at her home near town.

E. H. Beck, Real Estate Broker, has sold the dwelling on East Main street belonging to G. E. Hukill to Miss Banning. Terms private.

Dr. J. O. Sikes has removed his dental office to the building recently vacated by the Western Union Telegraph Co., next door to J. L. Shepherd's office.

Now is the time to have your teeth attended to. Don't wait for hot weather. Dr. Johnson will give you up-to-date service. Fresh gas daily.

Mrs. Richard Cann entertained the officers of the Century Club and the chairman of the different committees, at her pleasant home near Kirkwood, on Friday.

Send your items and personal notices into the paper, that is the way to help make it interesting. Just sign your name, we won't publish it, and then the article will be sure getting in.

Rev. William H. Hutchins will preach in the Forest Presbyterian Church to-morrow (Sunday) morning at 10:30 o'clock. There will be no preaching service in the evening during the month of August.

The racing events advertised to be held at the Glasgow Driving Park on the 5th of August, have been postponed until the 12th of August. This was necessary because of the excursion from Chesapeake City on the former date.

Bethesda M. E. Sunday School held its annual picnic at Silver Lake on Thursday, and the day's outing was thoroughly enjoyed by the large number of little folks and the larger ones as well. The swings and boats were well patronized, and the refreshments greatly enjoyed.

Unclaimed Letters—The following list of letters remain unclaimed in the post office for the week ending July 23d: Miss Edna Brown, Miss Bell Emery, Miss Anna Davis, Mrs. Rittenhouse, Miss Whiting House, Mr. Luther Barry, Mr. George O. Forwood, Mr. Walter Short.

We have in STORAGE several hundred tons of HIGH GRADE LEHIGH and BITUMINOUS COAL. You don't have to place your order before-hand as it is ALWAYS IN STOCK. We have just added to our yard a nice lot of SAWED WOOD. Phone 5.

THE OFFICE OF FARM MANAGEMENT, United States Department of Agriculture, has now ready for distribution a circular giving detailed discussion of the wild onion problem and outlining a plan whereby the pest can be exterminated. This circular will be sent free to any person requesting it.

The special excursion trains that will carry our people to Easton Fair August 25th and 26th will arrive at the grounds at 11 o'clock and will not return until 6 o'clock, P. M., giving our people a full half day there. A meal served on the grounds, only 50c each. Nearly 4000 paid in Race Purse.

The 5th annual Farmers' Basket Picnic will be held in the woods of Mr. Farnal J. Lynch, near Mt. Pleasant, on Friday, August 13th. Dinner at 12 o'clock sharp. These outings are growing very popular with the residents of that section and the attendance is on the increase each year.

The farm of Mrs. Clara Rebecca Gilpin, widow of Dr. Thomas H. Gilpin, of Middletown, located in Cecil and New Castle counties, was sold Monday by John H. Rodney, Martin B. Burris and John Clayton, of Elkton, trustees, to Dr. John C. Sikes, for \$24,000. The farm contains 450 acres, 400 acres of which are in New Castle county and 50 acres in Cecil county.

Everybody will have an opportunity to attend the Easton Fair this year as the Pennsylvania Railroad will run two SPECIAL EXCURSION TRAINS to the Fair on Wednesday and Thursday, August 25th and 26th, (see hand bills at your station for time of leaving). This is to be the best fair ever held at Easton. Many fast race horses will be there. Tell all your friends about it and be sure and go.

Charles Morrison, aged twenty years, of No. 1506 Fairmount avenue, Philadelphia, was drowned in the Chesapeake and Delaware Canal, near St. Georges, Friday afternoon. The body was recovered some time later. Morrison, with several companions, was camping along the canal. He attempted to cross the canal by walking on a narrow plank, which tilted with him, and he drowned before help could reach him.

Levi Taylor, a colored man about thirty-five years of age, is at the Union Hospital in Elkton, for treatment for gunshot wounds. Taylor lived near Glasgow, and was shot in the face Saturday by James Lee, an older colored man. Taylor's face was sprinkled with shot and the sight of the left eye destroyed. He claims that the shooting was unprovoked. The affair occurred in Delaware and the authorities of this State are looking for Lee, who disappeared after the shooting.

The novel method of keeping down potato bugs has been put into practice by Joseph Junette, of Alton Bluffs, Iowa. For the first time in several seasons potato bugs are again on the warpath and Junette is now making \$15 a day with fifteen ducks which he has trained to clear potato patches of this pest. To use the expression of the breezy Western correspondent "the ducks go through the patch like a neighborhood scandal," but unlike the latter they leave a field of healthy plants instead of a desolate waste behind them. We do not gather that these ducks are a special breed and see no reason why this exploiter should have a monopoly in the business.

It's impossible for us to ascertain the going and coming of all the stragglers in town, or even our own home people. Therefore, it is plainly your duty, if you desire your company mentioned in these columns, to let us know the names of your visitors or, if you are going away, to let us know about that. We ask people every week to give up the news and to tell us any social happenings. Even then we miss a great many people, but we must reiterate; don't blame us, blame yourself for not telling us.

We are informed that two or three cases of anthrax was found on Monday in a herd of cattle in Blackbird hundred, on the farm of a Mr. Price. Dr. H. B. McDowell, veterinarian, was summoned and promptly had the affected cattle killed and quarantined the neighborhood. On Tuesday, in company with members of the State Board of Agriculture, he again visited the neighborhood and strict measures were taken to prevent the spreading of the dread disease. They immediately quarantined the whole district, and it is believed there will be no further trouble.

PERSONALITIES.

Miss Bessie Denny has been visiting relatives in Townsend.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Parker are spending sometime at Atlantic City.

Miss Jessie Culbertson, of Wilmington, is the guest of friends here.

Mrs. William Brockson spent several days this week in Philadelphia.

Miss Lillian Hart, of Townsend, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. H. V. Parvis.

Mr. Alexander Metten spent Sunday with his son, W. F. Metten, in Wilmington.

Miss Addie Whitlock is visiting relatives in Chester, and Marcus Hook, Pa. Mr. and Mrs. Chadwick Cavender, of Philadelphia, visiting friends here this week.

Mr. J. F. McWhorter and family have gone to Virginia, where they will spend some weeks.

Miss Corinne Mendinall, of Wilmington, is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. E. C. Green and family.

Miss Ethel Gill and cousin, Miss Lelia Chandler, of Wilmington, spent Thursday in Smyrna.

Miss Lillian M. Bodd, of Wilmington, was the guest of Miss Myrtle Houston part of last week.

Mr. R. L. Naudain, of Wilmington, visited his mother, Mrs. R. L. Naudain, part of this week.

Mrs. Zelene Cavender, of Philadelphia, was an over Sunday visitor at the home of Mr. W. P. Biggs.

The many friends of Capt. W. E. Lee, will be glad to learn of his improvement during the past few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ernest, of Philadelphia, visited Mr. E. G. Allee and family during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen McDowell, of Philadelphia, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. B. McDowell, near town, this week.

Mr. Thomas E. Hurn, our veteran townsman, who had been on the sick list for several weeks, is now improving.

Justice of the Peace Alfred G. Cox, who has been confined to his room for the past week, is improving at this writing.

Mr. Edward W. Tatman and daughter, of Bridgeton, N. J., are visiting his father, Mr. Cyrus Tatman, on North Broad street.

Mr. Oscar T. Whitlock left Monday for Chicago, Ill., after a three weeks' visit with his parents, Mr. T. Whitlock and family.

Mrs. Emerson W. Polk, of Pocomoke City, Md., and Mrs. John B. Cooke, of Philadelphia, are visiting Mrs. G. W. W. Naudain.

BASE BALL.

In a game, which was full of heavy hitting by the home club, the New Castle High School team was defeated by the score of 11 to 4, on Wednesday.

The visitors came here with a good reputation and they attributed their defeat by such an overwhelming score to the fact that several of their best players were not in the game. Jolls' control was perfect, not one pass being charged against him.

Walker, Sagers and Savin led the home team at the bat, each securing 3 hits.

MIDDLETOWN

Walker, r. f.	1	3	1	0	0
Cullum, c. f.	1	1	4	2	
Sagers, 2d b.	3	3	1	1	
Jolls, p.	1	2	1	2	
Savin, c.	1	3	1	0	
P. Donovan, 3d b.	1	1	2	0	
A. Donovan, 1st b.	1	5	0	0	
Manlove, c. f.	0	2	0	1	
Manlove, c. f.	2	1	0	0	
Gibbs, c. f.	0	1	0	0	
	11	27	9	6	

N. C. H. S.

Vallette, r. f.	0	0	0	0	
Leonard, l. f.	0	0	1	0	
Gravell, 2d b.	2	1	2	3	
Duncan, 1st b.	0	1	0	1	
Naylor, 3d b.	0	3	0	1	
Rennie, c. f.	1	1	0	1	
Lancaster, c.	0	4	1	0	
Wells, p.	1	1	5	2	
Taylor, s. f.	0	2	0	1	
	4	6	24	11	

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Middletown 2 3 0 1 2 1 0 2—11 6 6
Base on balls, 11; 2 base hits, 3; Sagers, Jolls, Gravell; 3 base hits, Walker, P. Donovan; double play, Cullum, Sagers, A. Donovan. Umpire, C. Jones.

STOCK DYING

An epidemic has begun among the horses of the farmers near Milford and the best veterinary surgeons have so far failed to find any medicine that helps. The symptoms are that the animal cannot swallow its food and appears to be having a choking sensation. The horse remains in that state until it chokes to death. David Mills this week lost three fine driving horses. He has had a veterinarian to look after his other stock. Mr. Mills' loss amounts to about \$900.

Another peculiar disease has broken out among the swine. When the hog takes sick it immediately turns a dark blue color and breaks out in spots like the smallpox. The loss around Milford amounts to about \$3000 so far.

COUNTY GETS \$23,369.27 FEES

Comptroller's Reports of Collections From County Office Holders

County Comptroller Chandler sent to the Levy Court Tuesday his semi-annual report of the audit of the books of the Court House officials. The report follows:

Office of Recorder of Deeds.—January, \$1,756.25; February, \$1,451.25; March, \$1,632; April, \$1,780.50; May, \$1,641.75; June, \$1,600.75. Total, \$9,862.50.

Office of Register of Wills.—January, \$552; February, \$1,072.80; March, \$1,180.17; April, \$1,019.15; May, \$927.50; June, \$915.47. Total, \$5,867.35.

Office of Register in Chancery and Clerk of the Orphans' Court.—January, \$463.15; February, \$208.05; March, \$527.10; April, \$435.10; May, \$457.35; June, \$412.50. Total, \$2,503.25.

Office of Sheriff.—January, \$314.90; February, \$76.50; March, \$92.50; April, \$17.84; May, \$88.96; June, \$61.40. Total, \$650.16.

Office of the Clerk of the Peace.—January, \$366; February, \$181; March, \$294.50; April, \$341.50; May, \$230; June, \$439.50. Total, \$1,852.50.

Office of Prothonotary.—January, \$182.73; February, \$427.61; March, \$331.92; April, \$451.78; May, \$371.91; June, \$343.39. Total, \$2,050.34.

Court Crier.—Fees paid in by the prothonotary, \$40.06. Fees paid in by the Sheriff, \$29.31. Total, \$69.37.

Recapitulation.—Total paid in by the Recorder of Deeds, \$9,862.50; total paid in by the Register of Wills, \$5,867.15; total paid in by the Clerk of Orphans' Court and Register in Chancery, \$2,503.25; total paid in by the Sheriff, \$650.16; total paid in by the Clerk of the Peace, \$1,852.50; total paid in by the Prothonotary, \$2,050.34; total paid in by the Court Crier, \$69.37; total paid in during the six months, \$22,369.27.

OBITUARY

MRS. JAMES JARRELL

After an illness of several months, Mrs. James Jarrell, wife of Mr. James Jarrell, who resides two miles west of town, died at 6:10 o'clock Thursday evening, aged 50 years.

Mrs. Jarrell had been ill for about six months, and her death was not unexpected. She was a member of Bethesda M. E. Church and was a regular attendant as long as her health would permit. She leaves a kind and devoted husband and two sons to mourn her death.

Funeral services will be held at her late residence, this (Saturday) afternoon at one o'clock, and interment will be made in Forest Cemetery. Relatives and friends are invited to attend without further notice.

RECEA ALEXANDER

The many friends of Reece Alexander will regret to learn of his untimely death which occurred at Colorado Springs on Thursday morning. Deceased was 32 years of age and the son of Rev. and Mrs. W. C. Alexander, and had been in poor health for several years. Interment will be made in Easton, Pa., Monday morning, August 2d.

GEORGE LLOYD

George Lloyd, who resided with Charles Vinard, in "Middle Neck," Cecil County, Md., died at the Union Hospital, in Elkton, on Wednesday, aged about 55 years. Deceased had been suffering with typhoid fever for several days, and was taken to the hospital for treatment. Funeral services were held in Bethel M. E. Church, Friday, and interment made in the adjoining cemetery.

DEATH OF MRS. THOMAS DICKERSON

Mrs. Maggie Dickerson, wife of Thomas Dickerson, of near Earleville, Md., died at her home on Saturday morning. Deceased had been in failing health for some time but the end came somewhat unexpectedly. Funeral services were held at her late residence on Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. O. E. Jones officiating, with interment in Galena Cemetery.

CONFESSIONS MURDER

Robert H. T. Wilson, the negro who was arrested in Baltimore several weeks ago on the charge of fatally shooting Railroad Officer Harry H. Boon at Perryville, Md., on the night of June 30th last, on Monday made a full confession to State's Attorney Albert Constable, in the presence of Deputy Sheriff J. Wesley McAllister and Court Stenographer John J. Hartnett, at the jail office in Elkton.

The confession, in the form of questions and answers, is a lengthy one, covering twenty-six typewritten pages. In it Wilson admits that he did the shooting, but claims that the officer shot at him first; he says he does not know how many shots he fired, but until the gun was empty; that Smith, Uphar and Johnson (the three negroes with him and all under arrest at Elkton jail) had nothing to do with it, but all ran when the officer told them they were under arrest.

BIG OYSTER PROJECT

With the completion Thursday of the great dam across Sinepuxent Bay, below Ocean City, the promoters of the project by which 60,000 acres of barren bottoms are to be converted into fertile oyster fields, see their plans near fruition.

A canal across the narrow strip of sandy beach that separates the bay from the ocean is so nearly completed that in a few days the salt water from the ocean may be made to flow into the bay. It is estimated that these bottoms will produce a crop of 7,000,000 oysters a year, or one fourth the oyster output of the world. The company which has carried out the project in the face of great obstacles is to receive 30,000 acres of the land, while the State will have the other 40,000 acres at its disposal.

WIRELESS TELEPHONING

The trials of wireless telephone service between the cruiser Cordes and land stations, in France, have shown satisfactory progress. The cruiser, although equipped with shorter poles than at the time of previous experiments, was able to communicate at a distance of more than one hundred miles.

A few days ago conversation was carried on by the wireless system at a distance of sixty miles.

Last week conversation was carried on by wireless phone between Newark and Philadelphia, a distance of 85 miles.

CURRENT PRICES

MIDDLETOWN GRAIN MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY S. B. BOARD.
Wheat—No. 1 \$1.03 1/2 Corn—No. 2
Timothy Seed \$2.50 "cob" 78
Clover Seed .114 Oats— 70

MIDDLETOWN PRODUCE MARKET.
CORRECTED WEEKLY BY W. T. CONNELLEY.
Eggs, per doz. 20c Butter, 20c
Country Butter, per lb. 20c
Creamery Butter, per lb. 20c
Lard, per lb. 12c
Live Chickens, per lb. 12c
Potatoes 35c

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ODESSA

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Willis spent Monday in Philadelphia.

Miss Ethel L. Mally is spending sometime with friends in Annapolis, Md.

Misses Gertrude and Helen Saphin, of Trenton, N. J., are visiting in town.

Mr. Clarence Donovan spent a few days last week with friends in Wilmington.

Miss Anna May Barry is spending sometime with friends in Kennedysville, Md.

Mrs. William Gremminger is spending this week with her mother in Gloucester, N. J.

Miss Hilda David, of Taylor's Bridge, is spending this week with Miss Ethel Webb.

Miss Rachel Miffin, of Ridley Park, Pa., is spending sometime with Miss Marion Miffin.

Miss Ellen Miller, of Hatboro, Pa., is spending a few days with Miss Mary Asplir.

Mrs. Rebecca Kemp, of Chester, Pa., is spending this week with Mrs. Joseph Rhoades.

Mrs. L. Husbands, of Wilmington, is spending this week with Mrs. E. C. McCoy, near town.

Mr. Mally Davis has returned home, after spending sometime with friends in Titusville, N. J.

Mr. J. Janvier Loudembourg, of Salem, N. J., spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Watkins.

Mrs. Linda O. Townsend, of Wilmington, is spending sometime with Mr. and Mrs. George Buckton.

Miss Hattie Green, of Baltimore, and Mrs. Ada Collins, of Easton, Md., are spending sometime with Mrs. John R. Carpenter, near town.

Mrs. Joseph Carrow and son Raynor spent a few days last week with relatives in Collingswood, N. J.

Mr. Lew Coppage, of New York, is spending some time with his mother, Mrs. G. E. Coppage.

G. W. Davis and daughter Frances are spending sometime with friends in Milford and Rehoboth.

Mr. and Mrs. Columbus Watkins, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. F. B. Watkins.

Miss Ethel Webb has returned home, after spending sometime with her aunt, Mrs. W. Statts, at Taylor's Bridge.

The Young People's Society of Drawers Presbyterian Church, will hold an ice cream and cake festival on the Academy grounds, Tuesday evening, August 3d. If stormy the festival will be held the next evening.

SUMMIT BRIDGE

Francis Nevill has returned to his home in Wilmington.

Miss Mary Geoffrey, of Philadelphia, is visiting Miss Bessie Bigger.

Miss Ruth Newton, of Wilmington, is spending sometime with Mrs. Pote.

Mr. and Mrs. John Sartin and Mrs. E. Bender spent Monday in Townsend.

Miss Ella McCloskey has returned from a visit with relatives in Wilmington.

Misses Grace and Reba Burris, of Cecilton, are the guests of Mrs. John Sartin.

Mr. Edmund McCloskey is spending a week with his uncle, Mr. A. McCloskey.

Miss Flora Pote has returned home, after a pleasant visit with relatives in Wilmington.

Miss Mary Alleton, of Wilmington, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Pote.

Miss Elizabeth Swan spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mrs. Martha Magarity at Magnolia.

Mr. and Mrs. William McCloskey and family, of near Newark, spent Sunday with his brother, Mr. Arthur McCloskey.

Miss Ella McCloskey has returned home after spending sometime with the Misses Lynch at Wilmington.

Mrs. Kate Henderson, of Richmond, Va., and Miss Lydia McDowell, of Portsmouth, Va., are the guests of Mrs. C. H. Salmon.

Sidney Money and Misses Eva Money and Anna Breen, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday at the home of the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William T. Money.

TOWNSEND

Miss Beulah Hodgson is visiting relatives in Kennett Square.

Miss Elizabeth Darnore, of Baltimore, is the guest of Miss Ella Maloney.

Mrs. Retta Parvis, of Middletown, spent Monday with relatives here.

A company of boys are camping along Nuxonton mill pond for two weeks.

Mrs. M. E. Money and daughter, Miss Mary, were in Smyrna on Wednesday.

Mrs. B. M. West and daughter, Miss Lillian, were in Smyrna on Wednesday.

Miss Lillian M. Hart is spending this week with Mrs. Retta Parvis, in Middletown.

Harry Stradley, of Philadelphia, was an over Sunday visitor with his family here.

WARWICK

Mr. W. J. Lohand was in town on Sunday.

Miss Ella Statts is the guest of friends near Massey.

Mr. U. P. Ginn was a visitor in town on Wednesday.

Mr. Clarence Lipscomb spent Sunday at his home here.

Miss Lela Rusem visited the Misses King on Wednesday.

Mrs. Mary A. Lohand is visiting relatives in Philadelphia.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Aiken visited Mrs. B. B. Merritt, Sr., on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. B. Manlove spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Snyder.

Mrs. Charles Stearns spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Millington.

Mrs. R. B. Merritt, Jr., spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. John Jolls, in Middletown, Del.

Mrs. D. S. Cannon has returned home, after a lengthy visit with her mother, Mrs. M. A. Lohand.

Mrs. H. M. Eaton has returned home, after a two weeks' visit with her daughter, Mrs. Bayard Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Merritt spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. U. P. Ginn, near Mt. Pleasant.

Communion services will be administered in the M. P. Church to-morrow morning at 10:30 o'clock. All are cordially invited.

CECILTON

Mrs. Robert Ferguson spent a few days last week near Baltimore.

Mrs. Davenport, of Baltimore, is the guest of Mrs. F. J. Myers.

Miss Lola Jackson, of Greensboro, Md., is visiting Miss Lillie Short.

Miss Ella Milliken, of Wilmington, is visiting Miss Wilmer Milliken.

Mrs. W. Dickinson and daughter have been visiting Mrs. John Taylor.

Miss Mabel Coppage is visiting Miss Josephine Aiken, near Earleville.

Wallace Freeman, of Philadelphia, is visiting his cousin, Walter Clayton.

Mrs. E. Pearce and daughter, of Philadelphia, are visiting her parents near town.

Mrs. Lewis McKnight, of Philadelphia, has returned home, after visiting her brother here.

Miss Helen Watkins, of New Jersey, is spending sometime with her aunt, Mrs. R. M. Black.

Mrs. Thomas Pearce, Mrs.